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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE - INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR HUMAN  
RIGHTS COMPLAINT ON GUINEA

1. FOLLOWING GUIDANCE CLEARED ON IF ASKED ONLY BASIS  
JUNE 8. THIS ISSUE WAS NOT REPEAT NOT RAISED DURING THE  
PRESS BRIEFING.

Q. A REUTERS ITEM DATED JUNE 7 AND A NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE  
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OF JUNE 8 STATE THAT THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR HUMAN  
RIGHTS HAS SUBMITTED A COMPLAINT TO THE U.N. HUMAN RIGHTS  
COMMISSION CONCERNING HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS BY GUINEA IN-  
CLUDING TORTURE AND MURDER. THE REPORT STATES THAT THIS  
COMPLAINT WAS SIGNED BY FOUR FORMER U.S. AMBASSADORS TO  
GUINEA. WOULD YOU COMMENT?

A. WE HAVE SEEN THE PRESS REPORTS BUT HAVE NOT SEEN THE DOCUMENT REFERRED TO. WE THEREFORE CANNOT COMMENT ON IT.

Q. WHAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS?

A. IT IS A RESPECTED NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS. IT HAS CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITH THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL IN THE HUMAN

RIGHTS FIELD. IT MAY SUBMIT REPORTS TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES, PROBLEMS, COMPLAINTS, ABUSES, ETC. THE ILHR WAS FOUNDED IN 1942 BY ROGER BALDWIN AND IS HEADQUARTERED IN NEW YORK AT UNITED NATIONS PLAZA. IT WAS FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR THE RIGHTS OF MAN.

Q. WHAT WESTERN BAUXITE INTERESTS ARE THERE IN GUINEA?

A. SIX WESTERN COMPANIES, INCLUDING TWO U.S. FIRMS (MARTIN MARIETTA ALUMINUM AND ALUMINUM COMPANY OF AMERICA) HAVE A 51 PERCENT PARTICIPATION IN THE GUINEA BAUXITE COMPANY (CBG). CBG IS A DELAWARE CORPORATION REGISTERED IN GUINEA. THE GUINEAN GOVERNMENT HAS A 49 PERCENT PARTICIPATION IN CBG. THERE ARE ALSO OTHER BAUXITE MINING OPERATIONS IN GUINEA, ONE DEVELOPED BY THE USSR.

Q. WHAT KIND OF ASSISTANCE ARE WE GIVING GUINEA?

A. OUR FOREIGN AID PROGRAM IN GUINEA IS SMALL AND RELATES  
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TO IMPROVING AND INCREASING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION BY THE RURAL FARMERS BY IMPROVING AND EXPANDING THE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION OF AG STUDENTS AT GOG SCHOOLS, IMPROVING AND EXPANDING AG RESEARCH AT GOG AG SCHOOLS, AND ESTABLISHING AN AG RESEARCH/DEMONSTRATION FARM CLOSE TO THE MAJOR AG TRAINING SCHOOL. USG MAJOR ASSISTANCE TO GUINEA IN RECENT YEARS HAS BEEN IN FOOD AID - WHICH PROVIDES FOOD TO THOSE WHO NEED IT AND HELPS GUINEA OVERCOME HER CHRONIC FOOD PRODUCTION DEFICIT.

Q. ARE YOU TAKING INTO ACCOUNT HUMAN RIGHTS MATTERS IN DETERMINING THE KIND OF ASSISTANCE TO GUINEA?

A. THE ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY VERY CLEARLY IS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT HUMAN RIGHTS FACTORS IN ITS DETERMINATION OF THE CHARACTER OF ITS RELATIONS WITH OTHER NATIONS. THIS, I MIGHT ADD, IS IN ADDITION TO OUR OBVIOUS INTENTION TO COMPLY FULLY WITH HUMAN RIGHTS PROVISIONS OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT.

Q. WHAT IS THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN GUINEA?

A. I AM NOT PREPARED TO CHARACTERIZE THE SITUATION BUT  
WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS IN GUINEA. THE GOG IS  
AWARE OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S CONCERN.

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